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## **Nature Of Opinion**

Docket Number: E-01933A-15-0322

**Docket Position:** Against

Like Water Department officials in Flint, Michigan, I'm afraid Arizona's Corporation Commission officials are as oblivious to the economic burden TEP proposes to levy on the community, as Michigan officials were oblivious to the health and welfare of Flint residents. I'm tired of the "We'll pay you to vote against the public's interest" influence of power company lobbyist's on the Commissioners, one of whom already resigned for conflict of interest. TEP's proposal to double the Customer Cost on Residential bills from \$10 to \$20 per month is unconscionable. No hike is necessary. Rather a rate freeze or rate reduction is indicated. TEP says its revenues are down because usage is down; hence, a rate increase to recover fixed costs is necessary. Wrong. If there were no other solutions, then it would be necessary to increase revenue to cover costs, but new technology is available and can be implemented to reduce, or at least freeze, current costs. Staff—I'm talking to you here, and thank you for recommending that TEP's outrageous attempt to kill the solar industry earlier was sent to a Rate Hearing. —Make TEP become competitive with solar energy. — Force them to build solar arrays at utility scale to stabilize costs. —Change the rate structure to pay their guaranteed profit as a percent of shared cost reduction, rather than 10% of TEP's purposeful bloating of costs to generate higher profits. Those costs include bloated management and employee salaries and shareholder benefits, which are not in the public interest. —I repeat, pay the return on investment (ROR) from permanent cost reductions to the current rate base and surcharge costs. —Optimize, reduce and stabilize ratepayer costs and increase delivery of quantifiable value, which looks out for the general public. Do it by stabilizing current rates. In this way Commissioners, make the highly compensated ones you regulate by law actually deliver value to customers and earn their excessive fees set not by competition and the free market, but by you. In one way lower revenues and lower usage benefits all the rest of us. TEP's lower revenues and their customer's lower usage is good news for the environment, since TEP still burns a lot of coal and gas. Please do your part Commissioners to guide and teach TEP that no growth is good and in the public interest. Mansur Johnson Tucson

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